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Docket Clerk
Marketing Order Administration Branch
Fruit and Vegetable Programs, AMS
United States Department of Agriculture
1400 Independence Avenue S.W., Stop 0237
Washington, DC 20250-0237

Dear Sir or Madam:

Please allow the UglyRipe tomatoes to be shipped from Florida during the winter. Our customers demand these tomatoes year-round, especially in the winter. It is important to our customers that we have UglyRipes on a consistent basis. They buy the UglyRipes because of their delicious taste.

We support the proposed rule change to exempt the shape restriction on the UglyRipes.

Sincerely,

Denise Goodman

cc: Joe Procacci